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GOVERNMENT BUDGETS EXPERTS

REF: (A) STATE 038315, (B) USNATO 0978, (C) CCG/A(74)2

1. CCG WILL CONSIDER FOLLOWING ITEMS AT MEETING MARCH 13, 1974:

A. EXCEPTIONAL REVIEW REMUNERATION OF STAFF COORDINATED ORGANIZATIONS SERVING IN PORTUGAL, GREECE, TURKEY, JAPAN, ITALY AND DENMARK (CCG/W(74)2). SECRETARIES GENERAL PROPOSE EXCEPTIONAL COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS FOR STAFF IN PORTUGAL (5.5 PERCENT) AND GREECE (5(8 PERCENT) EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1973; FOR STAFF IN TURKEY (5.4 PERCENT), JAPAN (5.1 PERCENT) AND GREECE (5.9 PERCENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 1973; FOR STAFF IN ITALY (5.7 PERCENT), DENMARK (6.1 PERCENT) AND GREECE (7.7 PERCNET) EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 1, 1973; AND FOR STAFF IN BELGIUM (5.4 PERCENT), UK (6.1 PERCENT), US (5 PERCENT), LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FRANCE (6 PERCENT), PORTUGAL (8.8 PERCENT), TURKEY (7

PERCENT) AND JAPAN (5.1 PERCENT) EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1974. PROPOSAL IN ACCORDANCE ARTICLE 9, ANNEX VI, 78TH CCG REPORT.

- B. 1974 ANNUAL REVIEW OF DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES FOR STAFF OF COORDINATED ORGANIZATIONS TRAVELING ON DUTY IN MEMBER COUNTRIES (CCG/W(74)4). SECRETARIES GENERAL PROPOSE NEW DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 1974, FIXED IN ACCORDANCE TERMS 39TH CCG REPORT. RATES ESTABLISHED ON BASIS AVERAGE ADJUSTMENTS APPLIED TO DAILY SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES PAID BY NINE REFERENCE MEMBER COUNTRIES IN PRIOR 12 MONTHS
- 3. ESTABLISHMENT OF A PENSION SCHEME FOR THE COORDINATED ORGANIZATIONS. DOCUMENT ON THIS ITEM NOT YET ISSUED BUT LIKELY FOLLOW CONTENTS REF (B). CCG WILL BE CALLED ON DEAL WITH TAX EXEMPTION, PENSION GUARANTEE AND DETAILED PENSION REGULATIONS BY REFERRAL TO EXISTING WP11 AND NEW WORKING PARTY OF TAX EXPERTS. MISSION DOES NOT BELEIVE THAT US SHOULD NAME EXPERT TO SERVE ON WUP BUT CAN MAKE US POSITION KNOWN AT APPROPRIATE TIME DURING UP EXAMINATION TAX EXEMPTION ISSUE. DURING DISCUSSION THIS AGENDA ITEM, MISSION PLANS DRAW ON PARAS 1 AND 3 OF REF (A) TO CLARIFY US POSITION ON FUNDING AND PENSION GUARANTEE AND ATTEMPT GAIN SUPPORT AND COMMENT ON ACCEPTABILITY OF A FULLY FUNDED PENSION SCHEME. SIMILAR PRESENTATION BE MADE BY MISSION AT NEXT MEETING OECD WORKING PARTY ON STAFF POLICY IN MID-MARCH.
- D. 1973 SALARY REVIEW STANDARD OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT (CCG/W(74)3). DOCUMENT ON THIS ITEM NOT YET ISSUED. PRESENT INDICATIONS ARE THAT SECRETARIES-GENERAL WILL RENEW REQUEST FOR THREE PERSENT STANDARD OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT WITH EFFECT FROM JULY 1, 1973. THIS PROPOSAL SEEMS DESIGNED SHOW THEIR INTEREST MEETING DEMANDS OF STAFF ASSOCIATIONS. CCG LIKELY REJECT THIS PROPOSAL ALMOST UNANIMOUSLY AND AGREE ON A 2-3 PERCENT STANDARD OF LIVING ADJUSTMENT WITH EFFECT FROM JANUARY 1, 1974. MISSION PLANS ASSOCIATE WITH EMERGING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CONSENSUS ON JANUARY 1974 ADJUSTMENT.

2. UNLESS INSTRUCTED OTHERWISE, MISSION WILL SUPPORT EXCEPTIONAL REVIEW AND DAILY SUBSISTENCE PROPOSALS AND FOLLOW PROCEDURES OUTLINED IN PARA 1 C AND D FOR OTHER TWO AGENDA ITEMS.
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